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COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

BRECKSVILLE – BROADVIEW HEIGHTS

SEPTEMBER 2013 MEETING

I. General Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/19/2013

Time: 7:05pm-8:00pm

Location: Brecksville Human Services Gathering Room

A. General Announcements

1. Metroparks Volunteers for Fallfest September 29th—Volunteers are needed for this event to be held on Sunday September 29th in the Brecksville Reservation. Contact Carolyn if interested.
2. Drug Round-up Volunteers needed—October 26th volunteers are needed for both morning and afternoon shifts. Volunteers need up to date background checks. Contact Melissa if interested.
3. Booville Halloween Party Volunteers needed—Sunday October 27th volunteers are needed for the Brecksville Halloween party. Contact Carolyn if interested.
4. Quad City Drive-up Drill—Quad City is asking for volunteers to help with their “drive-up” drill. It will be held on 9/26 at 6:30. Contact Leslie for more information.
5. President Term Ending—Leslie’s 2 year term as president ends in September 2013. Nominations including self-nominations for a new president, vice-president and new board members are now being accepted.
6. County Wide Drill 2013—All those that participated were thanked and training documents were distributed.

7. Background Check update—Carolyn has worked out a process with the Brecksville police to perform background checks. If you received a background check within the past 2 years you do not need to get rechecked. Date and times will be announced but will probably be for a two week period at the end of September and early October.

8. County Wide Drill for 2014—the drill will take place in Brooklyn and will be a simulated tornado. Information will follow about training and the drill date.

9. October 16th Meeting-Wednesday—Marc Rubin will discuss Household Hazardous Chemical Awareness.

10. November 21st General Meeting—This meeting will be our Holiday Social.

B. Real Life Evacuation and Sheltering Experience—Presented by Wayne Lewis

Wayne is the Director of Environmental Services at a Pediatric Nursing Facility in Berea. He discussed how the training and experience of participating in the 2012 County Wide drill helped him with a recent real life evacuation and sheltering situation. The facility where he works, a pediatric nursing facility, had the single elevator breakdown that services 2 upper floors of patients. Due to the age of the elevator the repair was to take 3 months. Due to various issues related to staff coverage and reimbursement issues the patients could not be housed at alternative institutions. Wayne was part of a team at this institution that developed a plan to move patients to ground floor temporary rooms created in the gymnasium and other larger 1st floor areas. The team had to address nursing care, confidentiality, privacy and life code safety issues to name a few. The team did a tremendous job in a very short time to address each one of these issues and to also pass a life code safety inspection.

C. Next Meetings:

Coordinator Meeting—Wed. October 2nd, 6:30pm, Coffee Club, Broadview Hts.

General Meeting—Brecksville Human Services Center, 7pm

Thursday September 19th

Wednesday October 16th

Thursday November 21st

Respectfully Submitted, Sue Schindler

Cc: E.Egut, J. Hajek, C. Jatsek, T. Dodd, J. Winar